GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Social Welfare Department – SCSP – Establishment of Research Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS) under SCSP for Monitoring and Evaluation and undertaking Research studies of SCs in Andhra Pradesh – Orders – Issued.

SOCIAL WELFARE (SCP) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 6 **Dated: 13-01-2016**

Read the following:

1. From the Director of Centre for Economic and Social Studies Hyderabad DO letter No. CESS/312/2015-16, dated 24-09-2015.
2. From the Director of Social Welfare, AP, Hyderabad letter No. S/907/2015, dated 16-11-2015

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O R D E R:

The Director of Social Welfare, AP, Hyderabad in the reference 2nd read above has informed that Director, CESS, Hyderabad while submitting a proposal has stated that a research Unit has to be established in Vijayaswada and taking into consideration of the market rate for the rent, approximate expenditure towards salaries, rent and office maintenance etc., towards recurring expenditure and also other expenditure towards non recurring and submitted the technical as well as financial proposal duly furnishing the activities to be taken by the Research Unit as follows:

I. Tentative proposed studies to be taken up by RUSSCS:

i. Identification of gaps in between the provisions in the recent and earlier acts and the guidelines issued through Govt. orders to implement the provisions.

ii. Baseline study to assess the status of SCs in AP.

iii. Study to identify the drivers and barriers that have contributed to gap between SCs and other castes in regard to poverty, health and nutrition and education.

Iv. Study to take stock of the existing data base and exploring the new data bases to meet the emerging requirements like monitoring.

v. Comparative studies on understanding dynamics of development of SCs in AP with those of in other states in India.

II. PROPOSALS:

1. Technical activities of the RUSSCS

- To organize brainstorming workshops with different stake holders like SC leaders, Academicians, Researchers, Policy makers, NGOs, Social Activities and Representatives from the Corporate Sector. The Advisory Committee decides the direction and provide advice to set the research studies. The Committee consists of different stake holders drawn from different sectors including representative(s) from the Director, Social Welfare Dept.,

- A Technical Committee will be constituted to obtain inputs to formulate detailed proposals for each study identified in the advisory committee. This Committee will also monitor the progress of the research studies and provide inputs to complete studies on time.

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- A Review Committee will be constituted to review the progress of the work every month. This committee consists of team from Research Unit and Representative from SW Dept.,

- The faculty of RUSSCS will be drawn from different disciplines like Economics, Sociology, Anthropology, Political Sciences and Public Administration.

2. Financial proposal:

CESS, has furnished proposals with an estimated **annual budget** of Rs. 381.76 lakhs as given below:

Sl. No.	Particulars	Amount/annum (Rs.in lakhs)
1	Man power cost	120.00
2	Field travel expenses	18.00
3	Other expenses (printing reports, policy briefs working paper monographs etc.)	5.75
4	Other academic activities (seminars, lectures etc.,)	173.06
5	Recurring & non recurring cost of Research unit at Vijayawada	64.95
	Grand Total	**381.76**

III. Duration of Research Unit for Studies on SCs (RUSSCS): 8 years

IV. Organizational structure:

The required human resources will be drawn from within the CESS and or by extending invitation to the experts on the required areas of expertise from the research institutes in the country.

V. Need for establishment of a Research Unit at Vijayawada for undertaking research studies on SCs in AP.

- The APSCs Sub-Plan and Tribal Sub-Plan (Planning, allocation and utilization of financial resources) Act, 2013 (Act No. 1/2013) need intensive and extensive research to calibrate the policy initiatives to suit the socio-economic transformation process of SCs in the contest of the recent economic reforms and to provide inputs to public policy and practices for ensuring inclusive development for all the SCs in the state of AP.

2. The Director of Social Welfare, AP, Hyderabad has further stated that the SW Dept., itself not in a position to take up the research activities with the meager staff available in the Dept., about the status of the SC people i.e., Social, Economic and other aspects with the funds provided by the state government in order to bring overall change among the SC population in AP. Hence it is felt that and necessary that a separate organization shall be established to evaluate the condition of the SCs and proposed schemes for their overall development in the coming 8 years i.e., SCSP prescribed plan period. The budget required for establishing a Research Unit at Vijayawada by the Director, CESS is Rs.3.82 crores and can be met within the left over budget under SCSP. Hence, the Director of Social Welfare, AP, Hyderabad has requested the Government to issue necessary orders in the matter.

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3. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby agree with the proposal of the Director of Social Welfare, AP, Hyderabad to establish a Research Center for Economic and Social Studies (CESS) under SCSP at Vijayawada for monitoring and evaluation and undertaking Research Studies of SCs in AP and to start CESS activities at Vijayawada from the financial year 2015-16 by meeting the expenditure within the budget provision

4. The Director of Social Welfare, AP, Hyderabad shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PS to Prl. Secretary (SW).
PS to Hon'ble M (SWE&TWE).
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